

evening, June 19, 1897 followed by divine services on Lord's day morning and evening. All of our sister churches are invited to come and be with us.

D. A. HOPKINS, Pastor.

The brethren of the New Hope congregation will hold their semi annual love feast communion, Saturday evening, June 12, 1897, at 7 o'clock. All of like faith are cordially invited to come and be with us, and feast at the Lord's table.

Yours Fraternally,

M. E. REPLOGLE.

Unionville, Iowa.

We wish to announce that the West Independence church will hold their communion on Saturday evening, May 22. The usual invitation is extended. Yesterday we attended to baptism. There were five baptized. Two young sisters who came prepared for baptism which we wish to report as new additions. This makes three accessions since our protracted meeting closed, and bright prospect for the future.

M. S. WHITE.

HELP THE TRACT WORK.

One of our successful ways of working in the city, is through the tract department. We reach people and get them in our direction, that we can not reach in any other way. Our limited means and resources hinder this work, and I ask those of you who can help that way to do so. Some people do not believe in tracts. I do not appeal to them. Some of you believe in making Christ known by means of the press as well as by pulpit. To you I ask for help. Send it to Brother Gnagay and help me get out "The Arched Gate," and other tracts to win souls.

JOHN DUKE MCFADEN.

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TEEGARDEN, IND.

The Brethren of Teegarden met at the Teegarden church May 15, for the purpose of organizing a class at that place. The meeting was called to order by brother E. Stoneburner. After singing several selections we were led in prayer by Brother Stuckman. Brother Stoneburner then read the third chapter of I Timothy, after which he made some remarks as to who could vote. Ballots were then prepared and a vote taken as to who should serve as deacon. Brother Page Mead was chosen by ballot, Chas. Steele was elected secretary by acclamation, and brother H. Peters was elected treasurer by acclamation, while Brother Stoneburner was chosen presiding elder by ballot. Bro. Mead was then ordained as deacon. The meet-

ing was closed by singing the doxology and benediction by Brother Stoneburner.

Since our last report Brother Stoneburner has baptized twelve, eight on Easter Sunday and four May 16—more to be baptized in a few weeks. We have services every two weeks, brethren Stuckman and Stoneburner filling the appointments. Both brethren are excellent workers for the Lord and we expect to have a large class at this place. Although we have lost one good sister by death, we must still go on working for our blessed Master warning sinners that death is on every hand, and that after death comes the judgment when we must give an account of our lives, whether good or evil, and where we will be judged accordingly. Let us not fail in the cause which is right. Brethren, pray for us.

CHAS. STEELE.

A LITTLE FLOCK TO BE ADMIRER.

The Ashland City church, total number of members sixty-five—all included in twenty families, is a flock of which no pastor needs to be ashamed. They are earnest and active members. They visit the sick, clothe the naked, feed the hungry, and give drink (water) to the thirsty. One soul "worth ten thousand worlds like this," has been added to the fold since the first of the year, others are thinking seriously on the subject of baptism.

The church is not wealthy but they raised \$125, their apportionment to help pay the college debt. They paid \$530 to repair the chapel to make it a fit place to worship, they have responded heartily to Brother McFaden's call for help in the missionary field. They have a Sister's Society of earnest workers, I would have you know. The church has held up their pastor's hands and supported him spiritually and financially in his affliction and weak efforts to serve them, they are willing to do anything that is right in the sight of God and for the advancement of his kingdom. The above shows their religious integrity and love for the cause of Christ.

This little flock has been laboring under dark clouds which have been hanging over the Brethren church for some time and it seems to be the very darkest at this place and at the present time. We see the college standing on unholy ground and if the present cloud that is hovering over us turns into a thunder storm, away goes the college, chapel, and all. This little flock is willing to submit to whatever may be the Lord's will, they know he will shelter them from the cold and feed them with manna from above. There is not one in the fold but what loves to repeat the words of David. "The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he lead-

eth me beside the still waters. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever." We ask an interest in the prayers of every church in the Brotherhood. And I would say to the little flock, fear not the impending storm, fear not poverty, fear not suffering, fear not sin, fear not death, "for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom."

ALVIN BYERS.

DUNLAPS, INDIANA.

The brethren at Dunlaps are still faithfully working for their Master. We have a grand Sabbath-school, also K. C. Since our last report Brother Bemenderfer has resigned and Brother Hubbard is now preaching for us. Brother Hubbard is young in years, but he is a wide awake, whole soul Christian. He is not afraid to declare the whole truth. Since his work with us one dear young man made his peace with God, and though the rain fell in torrents and the lightning flashed, yet this young man was buried with Christ in baptism, and may the Lord keep him faithful until death. May the Lord bring many more into his fold.

We have preaching every two weeks; house is filled with anxious listeners. May the brethren throughout the brotherhood pray that God's richest blessings rest upon the people at this place.

SISTER BELLE HIMEBAUGH.

OUR DUTY.

To the Brethren Churches of Indiana:—Why are we waiting? Was it not the understanding at our State Conference of '95 that the different congregations were to hold their money until the amount necessary to liquidate the college debt was raised, and it has been reported that the amount was raised or rather promised to be raised? Now, under those promises, I consider our money should be paid at once. If we cannot pay now, when can we? Must we wait until after the next State Conference? It does seem to me this is not business, since Brother Keim has promised to refund our money if the necessary amount is not raised.

Brethren, can we not trust our Finance Committee, or what is the trouble? If the different National Conferences have accepted the debt in the sacred name of the Brethren church, let us pay it. Had we not better make application of the first part of Rom. 13: 8. Owe no man anything, then I am sure we will pay for the college and save our credit.

How can our Finance Committee do anything unless the different districts first